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SUBJECT: PROPOSED U.S. FACILITIES IN GDR

REF: A. BERLIN 1502

B. BERLIN 1526

1. DURING MEETING WITH CONGEN AT LEIPZIG FAIR SEPT.7,
GDR DEPUTY FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER BEIL CONFIRMED GDR
INTEREST IN ESTABLISHING TRADE OFFICE IN LOS ANGELES
(REF A). CONCERNING U.S. DESIRE FOR TRADE/CULTURAL
CENTERS IN ROSTOCK AND LEIPZIG HE COMMENTED THAT ALTHOUGH
ANY POINT IN GDR ONLY SHORT DISTANCE FROM BERLIN, A U.S.
TRADE OFFICE (HE CAREFULLY REFRAINED FROM REFERRING TO
CULTURAL ASPECT) IN ROSTOCK MIGHT BE OF SOME USEFULNESS
IN VIEW OF CITY'S IMPORTANCE AS PORT. ON OTHER HAND,
HE CLAIMED A TRADE CENTER IN LEIPZIG WOULD BE COMPLETELY
UNNECESSARY BECAUSE OF PROXIMITY TO BERLIN AND FACT THAT
BULK OF GDR FOREIGN TRADE ORGANIZATIONS LOCATED IN
BERLIN, WITH LEIPZIG BEING OF COMMERCIAL INTEREST ONLY
DURING FAIR. WITH REFERENCE TO INTEREST EXPRESSED BY
SOME U.S. FIRMS REPRESENTED AT FAIR IN ESTABLISHING
OFFICES IN EAST BERLIN, BEIL SAID PERMITS FOR SUCH
OFFICES WOULD BE ISSUED ONLY IF GDR FOREIGN TRADE ORGANI-
ZATIONS ALLOWED TO OPEN THEIR OFFICES IN U.S.

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2. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION, CONGEN NOTED RATHER DIS-
APPOINTING RESULTS OF U.S. ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM'S TALKS
IN EAST BERLIN. BEIL CLAIMED GDR EXPERIENCING
GREAT DIFFICULTIES IN PROVIDING
FOREIGN MISSIONS WITH ADEQUATE HOUSING BUT EXPRESSED
CONFIDENCE PROBLEM WOULD BE RESOLVED TO U.S. SATISFACTION.
(IN THIS CONNECTION, DEPARTMENT MAY BE INTERESTED THAT
SOME SPACE IN SCHADOWSTRASSE/CLARA ZETKINSTRASSE
BUILDING, PART OF WHICH WAS OFFERED FOR U.S. CHANCERY--
REF B, APPARENTLY EARMARKED FOR OFFICES OF WEST GERMAN
TV NETWORK ARD.)KLEIN

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